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TO: ALL CALIFORNIA CHILDREN SERVICES (CCS) COUNTY PROGRAM

ADMINISTRATORS, MEDICAL CONSULTANTS, INDEPENDENT

COUNTY CHIEF/SUPERVISING THERAPISTS, DEPENDENT COUNTY LEAD THERAPISTS, MEDICAL THERAPY UNIT STAFF, CHILDREN'S

MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS) BRANCH REGIONAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATORS, MEDICAL CONSULTANTS AND THERAPY

CONSULTANTS

SUBJECT: REVISED INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT (IA) BETWEEN CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, CMS BRANCH AND CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (CDE), SPECIAL

EDUCATION DIVISION

The CMS Branch and CDE, Special Education Division have reviewed and made several modifications to the state IA. These revisions reflect changes required by the Federal Office of Special Education Planning (OSEP). The revisions to the IA pose no significant change in fiscal or workload responsibilities on the CMS Branch or County CCS programs.

The areas of change include Section IV (Review of Interagency Agreement), Section VI (Financial Responsibility), Section VII (Conditions and Terms of Reimbursement), and corresponding sections of Section VIII (Responsibilities). The change to section IV decreases the frequency of reviews and modifications of the IA by the CDE and CMS. The change in language in Sections VI and VII were required by OSEP to clarify financial responsibilities. There was also a change to Section VIII Responsibilities (N - Interagency Disputes) that requires the state agencies to provide technical assistance to county programs/LEAs prior to those local agencies filing a written notification of the failure to provide a service.

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If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Office Therapy Consultant. Thank you for your assistance in this process.

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